

Mexikid by Pedro Martin

Here is a little background information about our First Chapter Friday title and its creator. Feel free to add your own notes and thoughts in the bottom box.



Read Aloud Video

What's It About?

An unforgettable graphic memoir about a Mexican American boy's family and their adventure-filled road trip to bring their abuelito back from Mexico to live with them that National Book Award Finalist Victoria Jamieson calls 'one of those books that kids will pass to their friends as soon as they have finished it.

Pedro Martín has grown up hearing stories about his abuelito—his legendary crimefighting, grandfather who was once a part of the Mexican Revolution! But that doesn't mean Pedro is excited at the news that Abuelito is coming to live with their family. After all, Pedro has 8 brothers and sisters and the house is crowded enough! Still, Pedro piles into the Winnebago with his family for a road trip to Mexico to bring Abuelito home, and what follows is the trip of a lifetime, one filled with laughs and heartache. Along the way, Pedro finally connects with his abuelito and learns what it means to grow up and find his grito.

** Also available in SPANISH! :)

Who Wrote It?

Pedro grew up in California with his very larger family (9 kids!). He went to San Jose and earned a degree in Editorial Illustration and Design, Pedro created greeting card art for Hallmark for almost 30 years! He is also the creator of the cartoon Asteroid Andy and also illustrated Don't Know Much About® The Solar System and Don't Know Much About® The Presidents. He loves to eat Dot's Homestyle Pretzels while he is writing.

His favorite holiday tradition is making tamales with the whole family. He lives in Kansas City, Missouri. Mexikid is the first book he has written, but hopefully it will not his last!



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